

LE MATCH DE LA VIE



LE GENERAL VERNON WALTERS, attaché militaire américain à Paris, parle huit langues parfaitement, dont le français sans aucun accent. Lorsque Pompidou rencontra Nixon aux Açores, il servit d'interprète entre les deux présidents. Cet ami de la France quitte Paris cette semaine, à son grand regret, mais pour un poste encore plus intéressant : Nixon, décidé à réorganiser tous les services secrets américains, l'a nommé directeur adjoint de la C.I.A., « l'Intelligence Service » des Etats-Unis.

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CIA Balance

Nomination of Army intelligence officer Vernon A. Walters to the No. 2 spot in the Central Intelligence Agency should provide civilian-military balance in that sensitive organization.

If confirmed, the 55-year-old major general who has served as translator for five presidents in the last 20 years will become a lieutenant general. As deputy director of the CIA, his salary will be \$40,000.

Senate confirmation is expected and deserved. Sen. John C. Stennis, D-Miss., is known to have preferred that the deputy director be a civilian, as is current CIA Director Richard M. Helms, a former newspaperman. Stennis, however, is said to harbor no opposition to Walters personally.

It should be remembered that the National Security Act of 1947, which created the CIA,

prohibited both top posts in the agency going to military men. It would be just as improper to give both the No. 1 and No. 2 jobs to civilians. What is needed in the intelligence agency is contact to both military and civilian circles, and reflection of the attitudes of both. In its function of protecting U.S. security, the CIA needs both military and civilian influence and information. Super-secret in most of its functions, the agency derives whatever measure of public confidence it enjoys solely through the caliber of men who run it. Much of the populace, for instance, never will know most of the things the CIA does. But citizens can have more confidence in the CIA if they know its direction is not being given either an entirely military or entirely civilian slant.

Walters is well-qualified. He speaks seven foreign languages fluently and has a working knowledge of seven more. His background includes service abroad, giving him knowledge of foreign governmental modes of operation. He has conducted himself well in working with presidents of both parties, three Democrats and two Republicans.

Summary: A balance between the military and civilian influence is essential to efficient performance of the CIA.

NEW YORK DAILY NEWS

3 MAR 1972

Nixon Names General As Deputy CIA Chief

Key Biscayne, Fla., March 2 (Special)—Maj. Gen. Vernon A. Walters, 55, a veteran Army intelligence officer and linguist who has served as interpreter for four Presidents, was nominated today by President Nixon to become deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Walters' nomination to succeed became commandant of the Marine Corps. On Jan. 1, will be sent to the Senate Armed Services rank of lieutenant general with a Walters would hold the three-star C. Stennis (D-Miss), if confirmed, ices committee, head by Sen. John salary of \$40,000 a year.

Silent On Stennis' Stand

Deputy White House press secretary Gerald L. Warren, who announced the nomination, refused to comment on reports that Stennis had opposed appointment of a military man to the deputy directorship. Presumably, Stennis' opposition was the reason for the two-month delay in filling the key post.

The National Security Act of 1947, which set up the CIA, banned military men from holding both top posts at the agency and in recent years it has been customary to have a civilian as director and a military man as deputy. Nothing in the law bars two civilians from the top posts but it is believed that CIA Director Richard M. Helms prefers a militaryman as his deputy to insure cooperation from the Pentagon.

Hr Enlisted in 1941

Walters, a native of New York City, was educated in Paris and at England's Stonyhurst College and entered the Army as an enlisted man in May, 1941. He attended officer candidate school at Fort Benning, Ga., and was commissioned in 1942. After tak-

ing part in the North African landing of 1942, he was assigned as an intelligence officer and then as liaison officer with the 1st Brazilian infantry division, which fought in the Italian campaign.

Walters, who speaks French, German, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Dutch and Russian, accompanied Nixon to the Azores in December for the President's summit conference with French President Georges Pompidou. He also went with then Vice President Nixon to Latin America in

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 CHRONICLE
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Deputy Director of CIA Nominated

BY MICHAEL GETLER

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 Washington Post News Service.

Washington — Maj. Gen. Vernon A. Walters, a veteran Army intelligence officer who is fluent in seven foreign languages, was nominated by President Nixon to become deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Announcement of Walters's nomination Thursday to the \$40,000-a-year as second-in-command to civilian CIA Director Richard M. Helms was made at the Florida White House in Key Biscayne.

The deputy director's post at the nation's top intelligence agency has been vacant since Jan. 1 when Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman stepped down after being nominated by the White House to become commandant of the Marine Corps.

Both Gens. Walters and Cushman have military careers, which include close association with the President since Nixon's days as vice-president in the late 1950s.

Walters accompanied Nixon on a vice-presidential tour through Latin America in 1958. Last fall he served as the President's personal interpreter during the Azores summit meeting with French President Georges Pompidou.

The general's skill as a linguist has also earned him globe-trotting positions as a personal interpreter for former Presidents Truman and Eisenhower, Ambassador Averell Harriman and Gen. George C. Marshall.

Senate confirmation of Walters is expected, though there have been reports that Sen. John C. Stennis, D-Miss., heads the Senate committee that keeps tab on CIA's activities, has opposed and delayed the nomination until now.

Stennis is known not to oppose Walters personally, but reportedly preferred that the number two CIA job also be filled by a civilian rather than a military officer. Stennis' concern dates back to a period before Walters was even being considered.

The deputy's job has customarily been filled by a military man with the rationale that this civilian-military link at the top keeps the CIA closely in touch with the separate military-run intelligence services.

Along with nomination to the new job, Walters, 55, now serving as senior U.S. military attache in Paris, was also nominated for the three-star rank of lieutenant general.

The bachelor general, a native New Yorker, has also held key attache posts in Italy, Brazil and Vietnam. He joined the Army as an enlisted man in World War II, was

an intelligence platoon leader, and won the French Legion of Merit as a lieutenant for his actions during the landing in Morocco in 1942.

Aside from speaking

French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Dutch and Portuguese, the general is also said to have a working knowledge of seven other languages.

GARDEN CITY, N.Y.
NEWSDAY

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PEOPLE

CIA's man of many tongues

Another general was named yesterday by President Nixon to replace Marine Corps Lt. Gen. Robert E. Cushman as deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency under Director Richard M. Helms. No ordinary general, however, is the nominee, Army Maj. Gen. Vernon A. Walters. A bachelor and native New Yorker, Walters, 55, is a fluent linguist in French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Dutch and Portuguese and is said to have a working knowledge of seven other languages. He was Nixon's interpreter in last fall's meeting with French President Pompidou and previously acted as globe-trotting interpreter for Presidents Truman and Eisenhower. Cushman left the CIA Jan. 1 to become commandant of the Marine Corps. The



Vernon Walters

CIA customarily has a civilian director with a deputy drawn from the military.

Notes on People*General Gets No. 2 Spot in C.I.A.*

President Nixon nominated Maj. Gen. Vernon A. Walters, an Army intelligence officer who speaks eight languages, for the important post of Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. The 55-year-old general, who has frequently served as an interpreter for the President, will succeed Lieut. Gen. Robert E. Cushman Jr., who stepped down to become commandant of the Marine Corps. General Walters is currently senior military attaché in the Embassy in Paris. If confirmed by the Senate for the new post, he will hold the rank of lieutenant general.

The nomination was made despite the reported opposition of Senator John Stennis, Democrat of Mississippi and chairman of the Armed Services Committee. Mr. Stennis was said to have wanted a civilian named to the intelligence post.



Associated Press

Maj. Gen. V. A. Walters

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CHRONICLE

MAR 3 1972
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Nixon Picks General for CIA Post

Key Biscayne, Fla.

President Nixon announced yesterday that he will name Brigadier General Vernon A. Walters, an Army intelligence officer who speaks eight languages, to the key post of deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Walters, 55, has served as an official translator for Mr. Nixon and Presidents Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson over the past 20 years. He has been with Mr. Nixon since the latter's vice-presidential days and was with him during the stoning incident in Venezuela in 1958.

Now a senior U.S. military attache in Paris, Walters has served in Vietnam and at posts around the world.

If confirmed by the Senate, he will become a lieutenant general and take over the \$40,000-a-year post left vacant when General Richard E. Cushman became commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps on January 1.

With this appointment, Mr. Nixon is continuing the trend of recent years of hav-



AP Wirephoto

VERNON WALTERS
Deputy director nominee

ing a civilian and military man share the top jobs in the influential intelligence agency.

The CIA is headed by Richard M. Helms, a civilian and former newspaperman, who had a career as an undercover agent from World War II until Mr. Johnson named him CIA chief in 1965.

Associated Press

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CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — SENATE

March 2, 1972

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Charles F. Lundy
Peter J. Lynch
Peter H. Lyons
Joseph D. Mankawich
Richard S. Manley
David S. Manuel
Harry A. Marmion
Bruce A. Martin
James V. Martin, Jr.
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William F. McCaffrey
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Russell A. Rourke
Robert F. Ruan, II
Frederick H. Russell
William H. Sackett
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David W. Santee
William D. Saylor
William E. Scarbrough
James H. Schell
Robert D. Scherer
John F. Schmitt
William L. Seay
Richard T. Secrest
David L. Shane
David F. Sheehan
Robert H. Shortsleeve
Charles A. Skelton
John D. Slack
Earl F. Sprong
Clarence L. Smith
Elbert G. Smith
Raymond L. Smith

The following-named officers of the Marine Corps for temporary appointment to the grade of lieutenant colonel:

Harlan P. Chapman
Richard W. Hawthorne
Luther A. Lono
Jerry W. Marvel
James W. McGarvey
Albert Pitt

John P. Stayton
George B. Stebbins, Jr.
Carmon L. Stewart
Robert A. Stiglitz
Leonard B. Stolba
Rodney L. Stone
George E. Strickland
Ray U. Tanner
Paul E. Thomsen
Romaine D. Thorfinnson

James R. Tickle
Tommy A. Tinker
Frank T. Tobin
Howard Troxell
Fred Tschopp, Jr.
Paul D. Tucker
Gerald H. Turley
Foster G. Ulrich, Jr.
Emil L. Veer
Carl R. Venditto
Jerry T. Verkler
Richard D. Wagner
Robert T. Waters
Ben F. Weaver
Larry M. Wheeler
Robert E. Wheeler
John R. Whelan
Robert J. Wiedemann
Alexander P. White, Jr.
James R. White
David Workman
Joel A. Yarboro
William E. Yeager

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

The following-named officer under the provisions of title 50, United States Code, section 403, for appointment as Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Agency, a position of importance and responsibility designated by the President under the provisions of title 10, United States Code, subsection (a) of section 3066, in grade as follows:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Vernon Anthony Walters, 065-09-5317, U.S. Army.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 2, 1972:

PATENT OFFICE

Robert Gottschalk, of New Jersey, to be Commissioner of Patents, to which office he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

U.S. DISTRICT COURTS

Louis C. Bechtle, of Pennsylvania, to be a U.S. district judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania.

John A. Field III, of West Virginia, to be U.S. attorney for the southern district of West Virginia for the term of 4 years.

James L. Foreman, of Illinois, to be a U.S. district judge for the eastern district of Illinois.

Howard David Hermannsdorfer, of Kentucky, to be a U.S. district judge for the eastern district of Kentucky.

William K. Schaphorst, of Nebraska, to be U.S. attorney for the district of Nebraska for the term of 4 years.

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CITY Washington, DC

MAJ. GEN. VERNON WALTERS

NEWSCASTER: The Florida White House announced President Nixon will appoint Major General Vernon Walters to fill the vacant post of Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Walters is a 55-year old veteran intelligence officer who speaks eight languages.

The post has been vacant since January first when Lieutenant General Robert Cushman stepped down to become Commandant of the Marine Corps.

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GENERAL WALTERS CHOSEN

NEWSCASTER: The Florida White House says President Nixon has chosen Army Major General Vernon Walters as Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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PROGRAM CBS News

STATION WTOP Radio
CBS Network

DATE March 2, 1972

3:00 PM

CITY Washington, DC

GENERAL WALTERS NOMINATED

STEVE YOUNG: Major General Vernon Walters, an Army intelligence officer who speaks eight languages often has been President Nixon's interpreter -- as recently as the President's meeting with French President Pompidou in the Azores last fall.

The Florida White House today announced Major General Walters has been nominated to be Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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PROGRAM CBS News

STATION WTOP Radio
CBS Network

DATE March 2, 1972

4:00 PM

CITY Washington, DC

NEW DEPUTY CHIEF

CHARLES OSGOOD: President Nixon has picked a new deputy chief for the Central Intelligence Agency. He's Major General Vernon Walters, an Army intelligence officer and a linguist who has often served as interpreter for Mr. Nixon. He did so at the Nixon-Pompidou meetings in the Azores this past fall. General Walters speaks eight languages.

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PROGRAM News

STATION WAVA Radio

DATE March 2, 1972 6:20 P.M.

CITY Washington, D.C.

NEW DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR CIA

DON LARK: The Florida White House says President Nixon has chosen a new Deputy Director for the Central Intelligence Agency. Major General Vernon Walters. Walters is a veteran Army intelligence officer who speaks eight languages. He has served as an interpreter for Nixon on many occasions.

Walters is 55 years old and a native of New York.

The post of the Deputy Director of the CIA has been vacate since Lieutenant General Cushman left it January first to become Marine Corps Commandant.